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AKAMAI REPORTS SECOND QUARTER 2017 FINANCIAL RESULTS

- Revenue of \$609 million, up 6% year-over-year and 7% when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Revenue excluding Internet Platform Customers⁽¹⁾ up 9% year-over-year and 10% when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- GAAP EPS of \$0.33 per diluted share, down 21% year-over-year and up 1% when adjusted for foreign exchange and the dilutive effect of the Soasta acquisition*
- Non-GAAP EPS of \$0.62 per diluted share, down 3% year-over-year and up 4% when adjusted for foreign exchange and the dilutive effect of the Soasta acquisition*

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. – July 25, 2017 – Akamai Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKAM), the world's largest and most trusted cloud delivery platform, today reported financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2017.

"Akamai delivered another solid quarter for revenue and earnings as we continued to diversify our portfolio and customer base," said Dr. Tom Leighton, Chief Executive Officer. "Revenue from our Web Division customers grew 15% and now accounts for a majority of revenue. Revenue from our security products alone grew 32% year-over-year to an annualized revenue run rate of nearly half-a-billion dollars."

Akamai delivered the following financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2017:

Revenue: Revenue was \$609 million, a 6% increase over second quarter 2016 revenue of \$572 million and a 7% increase when adjusted for foreign exchange.*

Customer Revenue by Division⁽²⁾:

- Web Division revenue was \$315 million, up 15% year-over-year and up 16% when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Media Division revenue was \$276 million, down 2% year-over-year and down 1% when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Enterprise and Carrier Division revenue was \$18 million, up 9% year-over-year and up 10% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Revenue by Solution Category $^{(3)}$:

- Performance and Security Solutions revenue was \$376 million, up 15% year-over-year and up 16% when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Cloud Security Solutions revenue, a component of Performance and Security, was \$115 million, up 32% yearover-year and up 34% when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Media Delivery Solutions revenue was \$179 million, down 9% year-over-year and when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Services and Support Solutions revenue was \$54 million, up 12% year-over-year and up 13% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Revenue by Geography:

- U.S. revenue was \$403 million, up 2% year-over-year
- International revenue was \$206 million, up 16% year-over-year and up 19% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Revenue from Internet Platform Customers⁽¹⁾:

- Revenue from Internet Platform Customers was \$51 million, down 17% year-over-year and when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Revenue excluding Internet Platform Customers was \$558 million, up 9% year-over-year and up 10% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Income from operations: GAAP income from operations was \$87 million, a 21% decrease from second quarter 2016. GAAP operating margin for the second quarter was 14%, down 5 percentage points from the same period last year.

Non-GAAP income from operations* was \$147 million, a 6% decrease from second quarter 2016. Non-GAAP operating margin* for the second quarter was 24%, down 3 percentage points from the same period last year.

Net income: GAAP net income was \$58 million, a 22% decrease from second quarter 2016. Non-GAAP net income* was \$108 million, a 4% decrease from second quarter 2016.

EPS: GAAP EPS was \$0.33 per diluted share, a 21% decrease from second quarter 2016 and an 18% decrease when adjusted for foreign exchange.* The year-over-year GAAP EPS growth rate, when adjusted for both foreign exchange* and the dilutive impact of the Company's acquisition of Soasta, Inc.,* was an increase of 1%.

Non-GAAP EPS was \$0.62 per diluted share, a 3% decrease from second quarter 2016 and flat when adjusted for foreign exchange.* The year-over-year non-GAAP EPS growth rate, when adjusted for both foreign exchange* and the dilutive impact of the Company's acquisition of Soasta, Inc.,* was an increase of 4%.

Adjusted EBITDA*: Adjusted EBITDA was \$224 million, a 3% decrease from second quarter 2016. Adjusted EBITDA margin* was 37%, down 3 percentage points from second quarter of 2016.

Other second quarter 2017 results:

- Cash from operations was \$225 million, or 37% of revenue
- Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities as of June 30, 2017 was \$1.4 billion
- The Company spent \$105 million to repurchase 2.0 million shares of its common stock at an average price of \$52.06 per share
- The Company had approximately 172 million shares of common stock outstanding as of June 30, 2017
- * See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for definitions
- (1) Internet Platform Customers Six customers that are large Internet platform companies: Amazon, Apple, Facebook, Google, Microsoft and Netflix
- (2) Customer revenue by division A customer-focused reporting view that reflects revenue from customers that are managed by the division. During the first quarter of 2017, the divisional categorization of certain customers was adjusted based on how those customer categorizations are currently being managed. The historical presentation of divisional revenue was revised in order to reflect the most recent categorization and to provide a comparable view for all periods presented.
- (3) Revenue by solution category A product-focused reporting view that reflects revenue by solution purchased

Quarterly Conference Call

Akamai will host a conference call today at 4:30 p.m. ET that can be accessed through 1-844-578-9671 (or 1-508-637-5655 for international calls) and using passcode 45211864. A live webcast of the call may be accessed at www.akamai.com in the Investor section. In addition, a replay of the call will be available for two weeks following the conference by calling 1-855-859-2056 (or 1-404-537-3406 for international calls) and using passcode 45211864. The archived webcast of this event may be accessed through the Akamai website.

About Akamai

As the world's largest and most trusted cloud delivery platform, Akamai makes it easier for its customers to provide the best and most secure digital experiences on any device, anytime, anywhere. Akamai's massively distributed platform is unparalleled in scale with over 200,000 servers across 130 countries, giving customers superior performance and threat protection. Akamai's portfolio of web and mobile performance, cloud security, enterprise access, and video delivery solutions are supported by exceptional customer service and 24/7 monitoring. To learn why the top financial institutions, e commerce leaders, media & entertainment providers, and government organizations trust Akamai please visit www.akamai.com, blogs.akamai.com, or @Akamai on Twitter.

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands)	June 30, 2017	De	cember 31, 2016
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 352,501	\$	324,169
Marketable securities	330,620		512,849
Accounts receivable, net	395,865		368,596
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	159,371		104,303
Total current assets	1,238,357		1,309,917
Property and equipment, net	856,039		801,017
Marketable securities	731,781		779,311
Goodwill	1,356,623		1,228,503
Acquired intangible assets, net	184,041		149,463
Deferred income tax assets	7,448		8,982
Other assets	114,750		95,953
Total assets	\$ 4,489,039	\$	4,373,146
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 91,741	\$	76,120
Accrued expenses	222,023		238,777
Deferred revenue	73,772		52,972
Other current liabilities	11,528		6,719
Total current liabilities	399,064		374,588
Deferred revenue	3,848		3,758
Deferred income tax liabilities	21,762		11,652
Convertible senior notes	651,400		640,087
Other liabilities	125,793		118,691
Total liabilities	1,201,867		1,148,776
Total stockholders' equity	3,287,172		3,224,370
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 4,489,039	\$	4,373,146

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	Th	ree l	Months End	Six Months Ended					
(in thousands, except per share data)	June 30, 2017	M	Iarch 31, 2017	June 30, 2016		June 30, 2017		June 30, 2016	
Revenue	\$ 608,908	\$	609,237	\$ 572,135	\$	1,218,145	\$	1,139,860	
Costs and operating expenses:									
Cost of revenue ^{(1) (2)}	214,650		205,703	206,323		420,353		401,059	
Research and development(1)	53,373		52,162	37,690		105,535		78,532	
Sales and marketing ⁽¹⁾	119,432		113,566	103,223		232,998		205,434	
General and administrative ^{(1) (2)}	123,518		115,009	107,538		238,527		209,821	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	7,753		7,569	6,711		15,322		13,427	
Restructuring charges	2,971		_	470		2,971		7,288	
Total costs and operating expenses	521,697		494,009	461,955		1,015,706		915,561	
Income from operations	87,211		115,228	110,180		202,439		224,299	
Interest income	4,281		4,624	3,393		8,905		6,713	
Interest expense	(4,646)		(4,597)	(4,639)		(9,243)		(9,292)	
Other income (expense), net	563		(684)	415		(121)		226	
Income before provision for income taxes	87,409		114,571	109,349		201,980		221,946	
Provision for income taxes	29,637		33,641	35,714		63,278		73,453	
Net income	\$ 57,772	\$	80,930	\$ 73,635	\$	138,702	\$	148,493	
Net income per share:									
Basic	\$ 0.33	\$	0.47	\$ 0.42	\$	0.80	\$	0.84	
Diluted	\$ 0.33	\$	0.46	\$ 0.42	\$	0.80	\$	0.84	
Shares used in per share calculations:									
Basic	172,674		173,158	175,499		172,916		175,951	
Diluted	173,439		175,171	176,420		174,305		176,980	

⁽¹⁾ Includes stock-based compensation (see supplemental table for figures)(2) Includes depreciation and amortization (see supplemental table for figures)

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Thi	ee Months En	Six Mont	ıs Ended	
(in thousands)	June 30, 2017	March 31, 2017	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016
Cash flows from operating activities ⁽¹⁾ :	2017	2017	2010	2017	2010
Net income	\$ 57,772	\$ 80,930	\$ 73,635	\$ 138,702	\$ 148,493
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization	89,206	86,533	85,114	175,739	165,783
Stock-based compensation	41,269	38,986	34,911	80,255	66,652
Provision for deferred income taxes	7,396	31,972	1,713	39,368	2,785
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs	4,646	4,597	4,639	9,243	9,292
Other non-cash reconciling items, net	1,738	(129)	749	1,609	3,501
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions:					
Accounts receivable	12,273	(30,146)	1,880	(17,873)	17,786
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(3,043)	(47,065)	(7,510)	(50,108)	(10,991)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	6,399	(23,940)	44,659	(17,541)	12,282
Deferred revenue	(470)	10,876	1,473	10,406	12,126
Other current liabilities	2,385	3,516	95	5,901	6,971
Other non-current assets and liabilities	5,062	(13,512)	3,011	(8,450)	1,062
Net cash provided by operating activities	224,633	142,618	244,369	367,251	435,742
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Cash paid for acquired businesses, net of cash acquired	(197,191)	(10)	_	(197,201)	_
Purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs	(97,005)	(91,181)	(78,141)	(188,186)	(160,481)
Purchases of short- and long-term marketable securities	(88,913)	(92,306)	(288,742)	(181,219)	(384,585)
Proceeds from sales and maturities of short- and long-term marketable securities	88,978	324,138	227,234	413,116	352,343
Other non-current assets and liabilities	(19)	(1,230)	842	(1,249)	(1,512)
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(294,150)	139,411	(138,807)	(154,739)	(194,235)
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Proceeds from the issuance of common stock under stock plans	8,150	17,530	8,745	25,680	27,095
Employee taxes paid related to net share settlement of stock-based awards	(7,417)	(33,921)	(5,914)	(41,338)	(32,410)
Repurchases of common stock	(105,148)	(72,467)	(90,985)	(177,615)	(199,710)
Other non-current assets and liabilities	(1,096)			(1,096)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(105,511)	(88,858)	(88,154)	(194,369)	(205,025)
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	5,210	4,979	(3,676)	10,189	689
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(169,818)	198,150	13,732	28,332	37,171
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	522,319	324,169	312,912	324,169	289,473
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 352,501	\$ 522,319	\$ 326,644	\$ 352,501	\$ 326,644

⁽¹⁾ On January 1, 2017, the Company adopted Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-09, *Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting*. Under this standard, excess tax benefits are no longer classified as a reduction of cash flows from operating activities. The Company retrospectively adopted this standard and revised cash flows from operating activities by \$1.5 million and \$2.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2016, respectively. The increase caused a corresponding decrease to cash flows from financing activities.

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE DATA BY SOLUTION CATEGORY

	Th	ree	Months End	led			Six Mont	hs Ended		
(in thousands)	 June 30, 2017]	March 31, 2017		June 30, 2016		June 30, 2017		June 30, 2016	
Revenue by solution category ⁽¹⁾ :										
Performance and Security Solutions	\$ 375,807	\$	369,148	\$	326,642	\$	744,955	\$	642,505	
Media Delivery Solutions	178,905		187,396		197,077		366,301		403,016	
Services and Support Solutions	54,196		52,693		48,416		106,889		94,339	
Total revenue	\$ 608,908	\$	609,237	\$	572,135	\$ 1	1,218,145	\$	1,139,860	
Cloud Security Solutions revenue	\$ 115,135	\$	109,758	\$	86,980	\$	224,893	\$	167,640	
Revenue growth rates year-over-year:										
Performance and Security Solutions	15%		17%		16%		16%		16%	
Media Delivery Solutions	(9)		(9)		(9)		(9)		(7)	
Services and Support Solutions	12		15		18		13		17	
Total revenue	6%		7%		6%		7%		7%	
Cloud Security Solutions revenue growth rates	32%		36%		42%		34%		44%	
Revenue growth rates year-over-year, adjusted for the impact of foreign exchange rates ⁽²⁾ :										
Performance and Security Solutions	16%		18%		16%		17%		16%	
Media Delivery Solutions	(9)		(9)		(10)		(9)		(7)	
Services and Support Solutions	13		15		17		14		17	
Total revenue	7%		8%		6%		8%		7%	
Cloud Security Solutions revenue growth rates	34%		37%		42%		35%		44%	

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE DATA BY DIVISION

		Th	ree	Months End	Six Months Ended					
(in thousands)	June 30, 2017		N	March 31, 2017		June 30, 2016		June 30, 2017		June 30, 2016
Customer revenue by division ⁽³⁾ :										
Web Division	\$	314,988	\$	304,686	\$	273,891	\$	619,674	\$	540,558
Media Division		276,071		285,401		281,937		561,472		567,551
Enterprise and Carrier Division		17,849		19,150		16,307		36,999		31,751
Total revenue	\$	608,908	\$	609,237	\$	572,135	\$	1,218,145	\$	1,139,860
Revenue growth rates year-over-year:										
Web Division		15%		14%		14%		15%		15%
Media Division		(2)		_		(2)		(1)		(1)
Enterprise and Carrier Division		9		24		24		17		28
Total revenue		6%		7%		6%		7%		7%
Revenue growth rates year-over-year, adjusted for the impact of foreign exchange rates ⁽²⁾ :					_		_			
Web Division		16%		15%		13%		16%		15%
Media Division		(1)		1		(2)		_		(1)
Enterprise and Carrier Division		10		24		25		17		28
Total revenue		7%		8%		6%		8%		7%

See customer revenue by solution category definition in press release
 See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for a definition
 See customer revenue by division definition in press release

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE DATA BY GEOGRAPHY

	Th	ree	Months End	led		S	Six Mont	hs Ended		
(in thousands)	June 30, 2017		March 31, 2017		June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017			June 30, 2016	
Revenue by geography:										
U.S.	\$ 403,085	\$	406,565	\$	395,085	\$ 80	9,650	\$	792,368	
International	205,823		202,672		177,050	40	08,495		347,492	
Total revenue	\$ 608,908	\$	609,237	\$	572,135	\$ 1,21	8,145	\$	1,139,860	
Revenue growth rates year-over-year:										
U.S.	2%		2%		(1)%		2%		1%	
International	16		19		25		18		24	
Total revenue	6%		7%		6 %		7%		7%	
Revenue growth rates year-over-year, adjusted for the impact of foreign exchange rates ⁽¹⁾ :								_		
U.S.	2%		2%		(1)%		2%		1%	
International	19		21		24		20		25	
Total revenue	7%		8%		6 %		8%		7%	

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE DATA FOR INTERNET PLATFORM CUSTOMERS

		Thre	ee Months Ei	nded		Six Mont	hs Ended		
(in thousands)	June 30 2017),	March 31, 2017		June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016		
Revenue from Internet Platform Customers ⁽²⁾	\$ 51,16	9	\$ 51,367	\$	61,497	\$ 102,536	\$ 134,002		
Revenue excluding Internet Platform Customers	557,73	9	557,870		510,638	1,115,609	1,005,858		
Total revenue	\$ 608,90	8	\$ 609,237	\$	572,135	\$1,218,145	\$1,139,860		
Revenue growth rates year-over-year:									
Revenue from Internet Platform Customers	(1	7)%	(29)%	6	(36)%	(23)%	(30)%		
Revenue excluding Internet Platform Customers		9	13		15	11	15		
Total revenue		6 %	7 %	6	6 %	7 %	7 %		
Revenue growth rates year-over-year, adjusted for the impact of foreign exchange rates ⁽¹⁾ :									
Revenue from Internet Platform Customers	(1	7)%	(29)%	6	(36)%	(23)%	(30)%		
Revenue excluding Internet Platform Customers	1	0	13		15	12	15		
Total revenue		7 %	8 %	6	6 %	8 %	7 %		

⁽¹⁾ See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for a definition

⁽²⁾ See Internet Platform Customers definition in press release

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL DATA

		Th	ree I	Months End	ded		Six Months Ended			
(in thousands, except end of period statistics)	J	une 30, 2017	N	Iarch 31, 2017		June 30, 2016		June 30, 2017	J	une 30, 2016
Stock-based compensation:										
Cost of revenue	\$	5,074	\$	4,685	\$	4,553	\$	9,759	\$	8,523
Research and development		9,614		9,029		6,752		18,643		13,190
Sales and marketing		13,951		15,157		13,259		29,108		25,611
General and administrative		12,630		10,115		10,347		22,745		19,328
Total stock-based compensation	\$	41,269	\$	38,986	\$	34,911	\$	80,255	\$	66,652
Depreciation and amortization:										
Network-related depreciation	\$	59,170	\$	56,844	\$	58,615	\$	116,014	\$	113,789
Other depreciation and amortization		17,727	•	18,209	•	15,717	,	35,936	•	30,888
Depreciation of property and equipment		76,897		75,053		74,332		151,950		144,677
Capitalized stock-based compensation amortization		3,972		3,471		3,628		7,443		6,885
Capitalized interest expense amortization		584		440		443		1,024		794
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		7,753		7,569		6,711		15,322		13,427
Total depreciation and amortization	\$	89,206	\$	86,533	\$	85,114	\$	175,739	\$	165,783
Capital expenditures, excluding stock-based compensation and interest expense ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ :										
Purchases of property and equipment	\$	64,522	\$	56,500	\$	50,726	\$	121,022	\$	100,793
Capitalized internal-use software development costs		40,957		37,085		36,288		78,042		71,460
Total capital expenditures, excluding stock- based compensation and interest expense	\$	105,479	\$	93,585	\$	87,014	\$	199,064	\$	172,253
End of period statistics:										
Number of employees		7,084		6,672		6,263				

⁽¹⁾ Capital expenditures presented in this table are reported on an accrual basis, which differs from the cash-basis presentation in the statements of cash flows. The primary difference between the two is the change in purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs accrued for, but not paid, at period end.

⁽²⁾ See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for a definition

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP INCOME FROM OPERATIONS, NET INCOME AND NET INCOME PER DILUTED SHARE

	Th	ree	Months End	Six Months Ended				
(in thousands, except per share data)	June 30, 2017	N	March 31, 2017	June 30, 2016		June 30, 2017		June 30, 2016
Income from operations	\$ 87,211	\$	115,228	\$ 110,180	\$	202,439	\$	224,299
GAAP operating margin	14%		19%	19%		17%		20%
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	7,753		7,569	6,711		15,322		13,427
Stock-based compensation	41,269		38,986	34,911		80,255		66,652
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and capitalized interest expense	4,556		3,911	4,071		8,467		7,679
Restructuring charges	2,971		_	470		2,971		7,288
Acquisition-related costs (benefits)	3,057		(208)	361		2,849		282
Legal matter costs	_		_	101		_		890
Operating adjustments	59,606		50,258	46,625		109,864		96,218
Non-GAAP income from operations	\$ 146,817	\$	165,486	\$ 156,805	\$	312,303	\$	320,517
Non-GAAP operating margin	24%		27 %	27%		26%		28%
Net income	\$ 57,772	\$	80,930	\$ 73,635	\$	138,702	\$	148,493
Operating adjustments (from above)	59,606		50,258	46,625		109,864		96,218
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs	4,646		4,597	4,639		9,243		9,292
Income tax-effect of above non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items	(13,974)		(15,467)	(12,832)		(29,441)		(24,155)
Non-GAAP net income	\$ 108,050	\$	120,318	\$ 112,067	\$	228,368	\$	229,848
GAAP net income per diluted share	\$ 0.33	\$	0.46	\$ 0.42	\$	0.80	\$	0.84
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	0.04		0.05	0.04		0.09		0.08
Stock-based compensation	0.24		0.22	0.20		0.46		0.38
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and capitalized interest expense	0.03		0.02	0.02		0.05		0.04
Restructuring charges	0.02		_	_		0.02		0.04
Acquisition-related costs (benefits)	0.02		_	_		0.02		_
Legal matter costs	_		_	_		_		0.01
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs	0.03		0.03	0.03		0.05		0.05
Income tax effect of above non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items	(0.08)		(0.09)	(0.07)		(0.17)		(0.14)
Non-GAAP net income per diluted share	\$ 0.62	\$	0.69	\$ 0.64	\$	1.31	\$	1.30
Shares used in diluted per share calculations	173,439		175,171	176,420		174,305		176,980

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED EBITDA

	Th	ree	Months End	Six Mont	hs I	ns Ended		
(in thousands, except per share data)	June 30, 2017	N	March 31, 2017	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017		June 30, 2016	
Net income	\$ 57,772	\$	80,930	\$ 73,635	\$ 138,702	\$	148,493	
Interest income	(4,281)		(4,624)	(3,393)	(8,905)		(6,713)	
Provision for income taxes	29,637		33,641	35,714	63,278		73,453	
Depreciation and amortization	76,897		75,053	74,332	151,950		144,677	
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and capitalized interest expense	4,556		3,911	4,071	8,467		7,679	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	7,753		7,569	6,711	15,322		13,427	
Stock-based compensation	41,269		38,986	34,911	80,255		66,652	
Restructuring charges	2,971		_	470	2,971		7,288	
Acquisition-related costs (benefits)	3,057		(208)	361	2,849		282	
Legal matter costs	_		_	101	_		890	
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs	4,646		4,597	4,639	9,243		9,292	
Other (income) expense, net	(563)		684	(415)	121		(226)	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 223,714	\$	240,539	\$ 231,137	\$ 464,253	\$	465,194	
Adjusted EBITDA margin	37%		39%	40%	38%		41%	

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to providing financial measurements based on generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (GAAP), Akamai provides additional financial metrics that are not prepared in accordance with GAAP (non-GAAP). Management uses non-GAAP financial measures, in addition to GAAP financial measures, to understand and compare operating results across accounting periods, for financial and operational decision making, for planning and forecasting purposes, to measure executive compensation and to evaluate Akamai's financial performance. These non-GAAP financial measures are non-GAAP income from operations, non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP net income, non-GAAP net income per share, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA margin, capital expenditures and impact of foreign currency exchange rates, as discussed below.

Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures reflect Akamai's ongoing business in a manner that allows for meaningful comparisons and analysis of trends in the business, as they facilitate comparing financial results across accounting periods and to those of peer companies. Management also believes that these non-GAAP financial measures enable investors to evaluate Akamai's operating results and future prospects in the same manner as management. These non-GAAP financial measures may exclude expenses and gains that may be unusual in nature, infrequent or not reflective of Akamai's ongoing operating results.

The non-GAAP financial measures do not replace the presentation of Akamai's GAAP financial results and should only be used as a supplement to, not as a substitute for, Akamai's financial results presented in accordance with GAAP. Akamai has provided a reconciliation of each non-GAAP financial measure used in its financial reporting and investor presentations to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. This reconciliation captioned "Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures" can be found on the Investor Relations section of Akamai's website.

The non-GAAP adjustments, and Akamai's basis for excluding them from non-GAAP financial measures, are outlined below:

- Amortization of acquired intangible assets Akamai has incurred amortization of intangible assets, included in its
 GAAP financial statements, related to various acquisitions Akamai has made. The amount of an acquisition's purchase
 price allocated to intangible assets and term of its related amortization can vary significantly and are unique to each
 acquisition; therefore, Akamai excludes amortization of acquired intangible assets from its non-GAAP financial measures
 to provide investors with a consistent basis for comparing pre- and post-acquisition operating results.
- Stock-based compensation and amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation Although stock-based compensation is an important aspect of the compensation paid to Akamai's employees, the grant date fair value varies based on the stock price at the time of grant, varying valuation methodologies, subjective assumptions and the variety of award types. This makes the comparison of Akamai's current financial results to previous and future periods difficult to interpret; therefore, Akamai believes it is useful to exclude stock-based compensation and amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation from its non-GAAP financial measures in order to highlight the performance of Akamai's core business and to be consistent with the way many investors evaluate its performance and compare its operating results to peer companies.
- Acquisition-related costs Acquisition-related costs include transaction fees, advisory fees, due diligence costs and other
 direct costs associated with strategic activities. In addition, subsequent adjustments to Akamai's initial estimated amounts
 of contingent consideration and indemnification associated with specific acquisitions are included within acquisitionrelated costs. These amounts are impacted by the timing and size of the acquisitions. Akamai excludes acquisition-related
 costs from its non-GAAP financial measures to provide a useful comparison of Akamai's operating results to prior periods
 and to its peer companies because such amounts vary significantly based on the magnitude of the acquisition transactions.
- Restructuring charges Akamai has incurred restructuring charges that are included in its GAAP financial statements, primarily related to workforce reductions and estimated costs of exiting facility lease commitments. Akamai excludes these items from its non-GAAP financial measures when evaluating its continuing business performance as such items vary significantly based on the magnitude of the restructuring action and do not reflect expected future operating expenses. In addition, these charges do not necessarily provide meaningful insight into the fundamentals of current or past operations of its business.

- Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs and amortization of capitalized interest expense In February 2014, Akamai issued \$690 million of convertible senior notes due 2019 with a coupon interest rate of 0%. The imputed interest rate of the convertible senior notes was approximately 3.2%. This is a result of the debt discount recorded for the conversion feature that is required to be separately accounted for as equity under GAAP, thereby reducing the carrying value of the convertible debt instrument. The debt discount is amortized as interest expense together with the issuance costs of the debt. All of Akamai's interest expense is comprised of these non-cash components and is excluded from management's assessment of the company's operating performance because management believes the non-cash expense is not representative of ongoing operating performance.
- Legal matter costs Akamai has incurred losses from the settlement of legal matters and costs with respect to its internal U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA") investigation in addition to the disgorgement Akamai was required to pay to resolve it. Akamai believes excluding these amounts from its non-GAAP financial measures is useful to investors as the types of events giving rise to them are not representative of Akamai's core business operations.
- Income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items The non-GAAP adjustments described above are reported on a pre-tax basis. The income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments is the difference between GAAP and non-GAAP income tax expense. Non-GAAP income tax expense is computed on non-GAAP pre-tax income (GAAP pre-tax income adjusted for non-GAAP adjustments) and excludes certain discrete tax items (such as recording or releasing of valuation allowances), if any. Akamai believes that applying the non GAAP adjustments and their related income tax effect allows Akamai to highlight income attributable to its core operations.

Akamai's definitions of its non-GAAP financial measures are outlined below:

Non-GAAP income from operations – GAAP income from operations adjusted for the following items: amortization of acquired intangible assets; stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized interest expense; acquisition-related costs; restructuring charges; benefit from adoption of software development activities; gains and other activity related to divestiture of a business; gains and losses on legal settlements; costs incurred with respect to Akamai's internal FCPA investigation; and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

Non-GAAP operating margin – Non-GAAP income from operations stated as a percentage of revenue.

Non-GAAP net income – GAAP net income adjusted for the following tax-affected items: amortization of acquired intangible assets; stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; acquisition-related costs; restructuring charges; benefit from adoption of software development activities; gains and other activity related to divestiture of a business; gains and losses on legal settlements; costs incurred with respect to Akamai's internal FCPA investigation; loss on early extinguishment of debt; amortization of debt discount and issuance costs; amortization of capitalized interest expense; certain gains and losses on investments; and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

Non-GAAP net income per share – Non-GAAP net income divided by basic weighted average or diluted common shares outstanding. Basic weighted average shares outstanding are those used in GAAP net income per share calculations. Diluted weighted average shares outstanding are adjusted in non-GAAP per share calculations for the shares that would be delivered to Akamai pursuant to the note hedge transaction entered into in connection with the issuance of \$690 million of convertible senior notes due 2019. Under GAAP, shares delivered under hedge transactions are not considered offsetting shares in the fully-diluted share calculation until they are delivered. However, the company would receive a benefit from the note hedge transaction and would not allow the dilution to occur, so management believes that adjusting for this benefit provides a meaningful view of operating performance. Unless and until Akamai's weighted average stock price is greater than \$89.56, the initial conversion price, there will be no difference between GAAP and non-GAAP diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.

Adjusted EBITDA – GAAP net income excluding the following items: interest income; income taxes; depreciation and amortization of tangible and intangible assets; stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; acquisition-related costs; restructuring charges; benefit from adoption of software development activities; gains and other activity related to divestiture of a business; gains and losses on legal settlements; costs incurred with respect to Akamai's internal FCPA investigation; foreign exchange gains and losses; loss on early extinguishment of debt; amortization of debt discount and issuance costs; amortization of capitalized interest expense; certain gains and losses on investments; and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

Adjusted EBITDA margin – Adjusted EBITDA stated as a percentage of revenue.

Capital expenditures, or capex, excluding stock-based compensation and interest expense – Purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs presented on an accrual basis, which differs from the cash-basis presentation included in the statements of cash flows. The primary difference between the two is the change in purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs accrued for, but not paid, at period end.

Impact of Foreign Currency Exchange Rates – Revenue and earnings from international operations have historically been an important contributor to Akamai's financial results. Consequently, Akamai's financial results have been impacted, and management expects they will continue to be impacted, by fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. For example, when the local currencies of our foreign subsidiaries weaken, our consolidated results stated in U.S. dollars are negatively impacted.

Because exchange rates are a meaningful factor in understanding period-to-period comparisons, management believes the presentation of the impact of foreign currency exchange rates on revenue and earnings enhances the understanding of our financial results and evaluation of performance in comparison to prior periods. The dollar impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates presented is calculated by translating current period results using monthly average foreign currency exchange rates from the comparative period and comparing them to the reported amount. The percentage change at constant currency presented is calculated by comparing the prior period amounts as reported and the current period amounts translated using the same monthly average foreign currency exchange rates from the comparative period.

EPS growth rates, adjusted for the Soasta acquisition – Earnings per share adjusted for the April 6, 2017 acquisition of Soasta, Inc.

Akamai Statement Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act

This release and/or our quarterly earnings conference call scheduled for later today contain information about future expectations, plans and prospects of Akamai's management that constitute forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provisions under The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements about expected revenue growth and future profitability levels. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by these forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors including, but not limited to, failure of our investments in innovation to generate solutions that are accepted in the market; inability to increase our revenue at the same rate as in the past and keep our expenses from increasing at a greater rate than our revenues; delay in developing or failure to develop new service offerings or functionalities, and if developed, lack of market acceptance of such service offerings and functionalities or failure of such solutions to operate as expected, and other factors that are discussed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and other documents periodically filed with the SEC.

In addition, the statements in this press release and on such call represent Akamai's expectations and beliefs as of the date of this press release. Akamai anticipates that subsequent events and developments may cause these expectations and beliefs to change. However, while Akamai may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, it specifically disclaims any obligation to do so. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing Akamai's expectations or beliefs as of any date subsequent to the date of this press release.